Department: Department of Health and Welfare

Division: Independent Councils
Program: Domestic Violence Council
Description: Use of VOCA Funds

Sponsor(s): Rep Wintrow Senator Lee

1. Background:

The Domestic Violence Council requests \$1,600,000 in ongoing federal funds with \$1,100,000 in trustee and benefit payments to increase the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) awards and \$500,000 in operating expenditures to purchase a grant management system to assist the council with managing applications, awards, financial reporting, and to collect and track data. The federal FY 2017 VOCA award was \$9,687,400, the award for federal FY 2018 was \$17,703,100, and the estimated award for federal FY 2019 was for \$12,304,000. The council has about five years to expend the complete grant. This request will allow for increased distributions to the 45 programs throughout the state for increased or enhanced services for eligible crime victims.

The Victims of Crime Act of 1984 established the Crime Victim Fund (CVF) which is a major source of funds for the Domestic Violence Council and victims of abuse throughout Idaho and the nation. Millions of dollars have been deposited into the CVF annually from criminal fines, forfeited bail bonds, penalties, and special assessments collected by U.S. Attorneys' Offices, federal U.S. courts, and the Federal Bureau of Prisons. The funding comes from offenders convicted of federal crimes, not from taxpayers.

Fund	Туре	ОТ	FTP	PC	OE	СО	TB	Total
0220-02	Fed			0	100,000	0	1,100,000	\$1,200,000
0220-02	Fed	✓		0	400,000	0	0	\$400,000
TOTAL				\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$1,100,000	\$1,600,000

2. Motions:

a. Reopen Budget: Requires unanimous consent or 2/3 majority to reopen.

"I request unanimous consent to reopen the fiscal year 2020 budget for the Department of Health and Welfare."

b.

"I move for fiscal year 2020, for the Domestic Violence Council, an additional \$1,600,000 from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund and includes \$1,100,000 in ongoing trustee and benefit payments, \$100,000 in ongoing operating expenditures and \$400,000 in onetime operating expenditures."

3. Discussion:

Funding in this motion comes from the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) and will be used to support victims of domestic violence.

Sponsor(s):

Rep Wintrow

Senator Lee

Department: Department of Health and Welfare

Division: Independent Councils

Program: Developmental Disabilities Council

Description: Living Well Grant

1. Background:

The Developmental Disabilities (DD) Council requests a onetime supplemental appropriation of \$61,600 in federal fund operating expenditures. The council was awarded a portion of a federal grant from the Administration for Community Living (ACL), as awarded to the University of Idaho and further distributed to the DD Council. The grant will last for five years. The amount expended will vary each year depending on the specific work committed by the council. This request also includes an additional allocation of \$14,000 as a result of the Puerto Rico Council being out of compliance; its funding was reallocated across all councils nationwide. The purpose of the grant is to develop and test model approaches for enhancing the quality, effectiveness, and monitoring of home and community-based services (HCBS) for people with developmental disabilities. The grant is further intended to support professionals working directly with people with disabilities; promote the leadership of self-advocates and families; promote the use of supportive decision making, person-centered planning, and competitive integrated employment; address abuse and rights violations in the HCBS delivery system; and increase the capacity of states to provide HCBS in integrated settings. The council is requesting a program transfer from SWITC for the same purpose. However, because of statutory transfer restrictions, the council is also requesting this supplemental appropriation.

Fund	Type	ОТ	FTP	PC	OE	CO	TB	Total
0220-02	Fed	✓		0	61,600	0	0	\$61,600
TOTAL				\$0	\$61,600	\$0	\$0	\$61,600

2. Motion:

"I move for fiscal year 2020, for the Developmental Disabilities Council, an additional \$61,600 in onetime operating expenditures from the Cooperative Welfare (Federal) Fund.

3. Discussion:

Funding in this motion comes from the federal Administration for Community Living, through the University of Idaho to develop and test model approaches for enhancing the quality, effectiveness, and monitoring of home and community-based services (HCBS) for people with developmental disabilities.